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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF

In response to the Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief mailed September 28, 2006, the Appeal Brief filed with respect to the above-identified application is amended as follows:

Amendments to the Appeal Brief begin on page 2 of this paper.

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Amendments to the Appeal Brief

Please replace the first paragraph of Section V. Summary of Claimed Subject Matter with the following amended paragraph:

As illustrated in Figure 1 of the Application, claim 21 calls for a vehicle 10 in combination with a distributed microwave cooking system 12 comprises a microwave cooking element 16 located within the vehicle 10 and accessible by a user of the vehicle. *Pg. 10, ln. 6-8.* A microwave generator 14 is located within the vehicle 10 and remotely spaced from the microwave cooking element 16. *Pg. 10, ln. 8-13.* A microwave conduit 18 connects the microwave generator 14 to the microwave cooking element 16 such that the microwaves generated by the microwave generator 14 are directed to the microwave cooking element 16 through the microwave conduit 18 to cook an item with the microwave cooking element 16.

Ibid.

Please replace the third paragraph of Section V. Summary of Claimed Subject Matter with the following amended paragraph:

As illustrated in Figures 1 and 2, claim 51 calls for a microwave cup warmer for a vehicle comprises a microwave cooking element 17 for warming the contents of a cup. *Pg. 12, ln. 1-11.* A microwave generator 14 is located remotely from the microwave cooking element 17. *Pg. 10, ln. 8-13.* A microwave conduit 18 connects the microwave generator 14 to the microwave cooking element 17 such that the microwaves generated by the microwave generator 14 are directed to the microwave cooking element 17 through the microwave conduit 18 to cook an item with the microwave cooking element 17. *Ibid.*

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief mailed September 28, 2006, the first and second paragraphs of Section V of the Appeal Brief have been amended to identify the independent claims involved in the appeal. Applicants believe that the Appeal Brief is in full compliance with 37 CFR 41.37.

An amended Appeal Brief is filed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,
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